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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated August 1, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend Claim 13 as follows:

13. (Twice Amended) An article comprising a breathable foam layer, the layer comprising a thermoplastic, amorphous polymer, the foam layer further having at least one major surface, having porosity in a direction perpendicular to a major surface, and having a thickness of about 86 to about 265 microns.

Please amend Claim 17 as follows:

17. (Amended) The article of claim 13, the moisture vapor transition rate of which can be increased by stretching.